

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 6406

As of February 3, 2014

Title: An act relating to vehicle headlights.

Brief Description: Modifying when to display vehicle headlights.

Sponsors: Senators Cleveland, Eide, Billig and Chase.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Transportation: 2/04/14.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Staff: Kim Johnson (786-7472)

Background: A vehicle on the state highways must display headlights, other lights, and illuminating devices as required for different classes of vehicles one-half hour after sunset to one-half hour before sunrise.

Currently, a vehicle's headlights must also be used when, due to insufficient light or unfavorable atmospheric conditions, persons and vehicles are not discernable at a distance of 1000 feet ahead.

Summary of Bill: A vehicle's headlights must be used when, due to insufficient light or unfavorable atmospheric conditions, persons and vehicles are not discernable at a distance of 1500 feet ahead.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Committee/Commission/Task Force Created: No.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

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